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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 26, 2003 in connection with the aboveidentified application, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.